



Merced County Association of Governments

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March 28, 2005

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Subject: 2004 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
MAJOR AMENDMENT NO. 3

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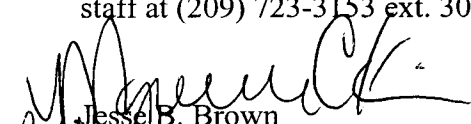
On December 9, 2004, President Bush signed into law the omnibus appropriations bill (HR 4818) that will fund highways, transit, and AMTRAK for the balance of federal fiscal year 2005. Merced County has been apportioned transportation funding for Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS) contracting costs in the 2005 Omnibus Appropriations Act:

Federal Transit Administration	Project	Allocation Amount	Allocation Period
Section 5309(c) Program - Bus and Bus-related	YARTS	\$388,711	September 30, 2007

Major Amendment No. 3 Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Section-5309(c) programming changes:

- 1) Have been modified in CTIPS; and
- 2) Are exempt from air quality conformity analysis (40 CFR 93.126, Table 2 & 3 Exempt Projects); and
- 3) Conform to the fiscal constraint of the FTIP; and
- 4) Conform to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality; and
- 5) Do not adversely affect the timely implementation of Transportation Control Measures (TCMS); and
- 6) Involve a proactive public involvement process.

MCAG formally requests approval of Major Amendment No. 3 by Caltrans, FHWA, and FTA. If you have any questions regarding this amendment, contact Terri Lewis of my staff at (209) 723-3153 ext. 307.


Jesse B. Brown
Executive Director

Enclosures: Resolution No. 2005/03-17-01
Federal Register – Table 9
CTIPS project page
FTIP Financial Summary

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RESOLUTION NO. 2005/03-17-01

RESOLUTION OF THE MERCED COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS AMENDING THE 2004 FEDERAL TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (FTIP) WITH THE ADDITION OF MAJOR AMENDMENT NO. 3 AND THE YOSEMITE AREA REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM (YARTS) TRANSIT PROJECT BY ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2005/03-17-01

WHEREAS, the Merced County Association of Governments (MCAG) is a designated Regional Transportation Planning Agency (RTPA) and a Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO), pursuant to State and Federal designation; and

WHEREAS, the MCAG is required to develop, prepare, and modify as needed the 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program (FTIP); and

WHEREAS, the 2004 FTIP has been prepared to comply with Federal and State requirements for local projects; and

WHEREAS, the 2004 FTIP contains the MPO certification of the transportation planning process assuring that all federal requirements have been fulfilled; and

WHEREAS, the FY05 Federal Omnibus Appropriations Act (H.R. 4818) includes a Federal Transit Administration (FTA)-5309(c) Bus and Bus-Related Allocation of \$388,711 for Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System (YARTS); and

WHEREAS, the FY05 Omnibus Appropriations Act states the FTA 5309(c) funding allocation will remain available for obligation by FTA to recipients until September 30, 2007; and

WHEREAS, the 2004 FTIP financial plan affirms that the addition of the YARTS project and the allocated funding complies with the FTIP fiscal constraint requirement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The Merced County Association of Governments Governing Board hereby amends the 2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program with the addition of major Amendment No. 3 adding the non-capacity increasing, air quality conformity exempt YARTS transit project and the Federal Transit Administration 5309(c) – Bus and Bus-Related Allocation by adoption of Resolution No. 2005/03-17-01.

2. That Merced County Association of Governments does hereby certify that its planning and public involvement processes will be implemented throughout this document in accordance with:

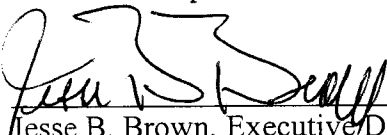
- a. Section 134 of Title 23, USC Section 8 of the Federal Transit Act (49 USC app. 1607) and 23 CFR 450 Subpart C;
- b. Sections 174 and 176(c) and (d) of the Clean Air Act (42 USC 7504, 7506(c) and (d));
- c. Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Title VI Assurances executed by each state under 23 USC 324 and 29 USC 794;
- d. Section 1003(b) of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act of 1991 (Pub. L. 102-240) regarding the involvement of disadvantaged business enterprises in the FHWA and the FTA funded planning projects Sec.105 (f), Pub. L. 970424, 96 Stat. 2100; 49 CFR Part 23); and
- e. The provisions of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (Pub. L. 101-336, 104 Stat. 327, as amended) and USDOT regulations "Transportation for Individuals with Disabilities" (49 CFR Parts 27, 37, and 38);


The foregoing resolution was approved by the Merced County Association of Governments Governing Board on March 17, 2005 by Supervisor O'Banion who moved its adoption, which motion was duly seconded by Supervisor Kelsey and which was adopted by the following vote:

AYES: Supervisors Crookham, Kelsey, O'Banion, Council Members Oliveira, Abercrombie, Spriggs, Mayors Amabile, Friesen, Mayor Pro Tem Stewart

NOES: None

ABSENT: Supervisors Pedrozo, Nelson


Jesse B. Brown, Executive Director
Merced County Association of
Governments


Michael Amabile, Chairperson
Merced County Association of
Governments Governing Board

FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION
TABLE 9

FY 2005 SECTION 5309 BUS AND BUS-RELATED ALLOCATIONS			
STATE	PROJECT	ALLOCATION	AVAILABLE ALLOCATION
CA	Metro Red Line Wilshire Vermont Station upgrade, California	728,834	475,452
CA	Modesto bus facility, California	971,779	633,936
CA	Monterey Salinas Transit buses, California	971,779	633,936
CA	Municipal Transit Operators Coalition, California	971,779	633,936
CA	Napa Transit Center construction, California	485,888	316,967
CA	Pacific Station Multimodal-Multiuse facility, California	1,457,667	950,903
CA	Palm Springs bus station relocation, California	29,154	19,018
CA	Palo Alto Intermodal Transit Center, California	728,834	475,452
CA	Riverbank vehicle garage renovation, California	121,472	79,242
CA	Riverside Transit Authority, California	121,472	79,242
CA	Roseville Multitransit Center, California	631,655	412,057
CA	Sacramento bus replacement/facility expansion, California	485,888	316,967
CA	SamTrans Zero Emission bus project, California	728,834	475,452
CA	San Francisco Muni buses and bus facilities, California	3,887,113	2,535,741
CA	San Luis Rey Transit Center, California	388,711	253,574
CA	Santa Clara VTA bus signal priority project, California	728,834	475,452
CA	SCAT CNG Fueling Station, California	485,888	316,967
CA	Sierra Madre Villa Gold Line Light Rail Station, California	971,779	633,936
CA	Solana Beach Intermodal Facility, Solana Beach, California	631,655	412,057
CA	Sonoma County CNG buses, California	291,534	190,181
CA	South Gate Clean Air buses, California	242,945	158,484
CA	Spring Valley Multi-Modal Center, California	777,422	507,148
CA	Sunline Transit Agency CNG buses, California	485,888	316,967
CA	Temecula Park and Ride Facility, California	48,589	31,697
CA	Temecula Transit Center, California	388,711	253,574
CA	Transit First Implementation, California	728,834	475,452
CA	Transit Oriented Neighborhood Program, California	194,357	126,788
CA	Union City Intermodal Station, Phase 1, California	485,888	316,967
CA	Vallejo Baylink Ferry Intermodal Center, California	1,214,724	792,420
CA	Visalia bus operations facility, California	242,945	158,484
CA	Visalia bus replacement, California	242,945	158,484
CA	Yosemite Area Regional Transportation System, California	388,711	253,574
CO	Colorado Statewide buses and bus facilities	6,923,920	4,516,788
CT	Bridgeport Intermodal Transportation Center, Connecticut	6,802,447	4,437,546
CT	Hartford bus facility rehabilitation, Connecticut	485,888	316,967
CT	Hartford/New Britain Busway, Connecticut	3,887,113	2,535,741
CT	Pulse Point Joint Development safety improvements, Connecticut	485,888	316,967
CT	Stamford Urban Transitway Phase II, Connecticut	5,830,669	3,803,611
CT	Waterbury bus maintenance facility, Connecticut	485,888	316,967
CT	West Haven/Orange Intermodal Facility, Connecticut	971,779	633,936
DC	Georgetown University Fuel Cell Transit Bus Program (TEA-21)	4,763,088	3,107,179
DC	Union Station Intermodal Transportation Center, Washington, DC	728,834	475,452
DE	Delaware Statewide buses and bus facilities	1,943,557	1,267,871
FL	Broward/Palm Beach County buses, Florida	728,834	475,452
FL	DeBary Intermodal Transportation Facility, Florida	242,945	158,484
FL	Flagler County buses and bus facilities, Florida	145,767	95,090
FL	Gainesville Regional Airport multi-modal facility, Florida	291,534	190,181
FL	Gainesville RTS buses and bus facilities, Florida	971,779	633,936
FL	Hillsborough Area Regional Transit (HART), Florida	485,888	316,967
FL	Homestead East-West bus connector, Florida	242,945	158,484
FL	Jacksonville JTA transit rolling stock, Florida	485,888	316,967
FL	Key West bus and bus facilities, Florida	1,943,557	1,267,871
FL	Lakeland Area Citrus Connection transit system, Florida	728,834	475,452
FL	Miami Beach Intermodal Greenway Transit Facility, Florida	680,245	443,755
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FL	Miami Intermodal Center, Florida	5,830,669	3,803,611

Merced County Association of Governments - Federal Transportation Improvement Program

(Dollars in Thousands)

Transit System

DIST: 10	COUNTY: Merced County	TITLE (DESCRIPTION):	MPO Aprv: / /
ROUTE: VAR	PM:	Yosemite Area Regional Transportation Sy (YARTS 5309(c) FY 2005	State Aprv: / /
PPNO:	KP:	Omnibus Allocation for capital cost of contracting service)	Federal Aprv: / /
EA:	MPO ID: YARTS05		
CTIPS ID: 205-0000-0110			
IMPLEMENTING AGENCY: Merced County Association of Governments		PRJ MGR: MARJIE KIRN	EPA TABLE II or III EXEMPT CATEGORY:
		PHONE: (209) 723-3153	Transit operating assistance.

PROJECT VERSION HISTORY (Printed Version is Shaded)

Version	Status	Official Date	Updated By	Change Reason	Amend No.	Dollars in Thousands - Total For Project						
						Prog Con	Prog RW	PE				
1	Active	02/22/2005	TLEWIS	Amendment - New Project	3	560						
				PRIOR	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	BEYOND	TOTAL
• Fund Source 1 of 3				PE								
• Fund Type: FTA5309(c) - Bus				RW								
• Funding Agency: Merced County Association of Governments				CON	389							389
				TOTAL	389							389
				PRIOR	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	BEYOND	TOTAL
• Fund Source 2 of 3				PE								
• Fund Type: County Funds				RW								
• Funding Agency: Yosemite Area Regional Transportation				CON	146							146
System (YARTS)				TOTAL	146							146
				PRIOR	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	BEYOND	TOTAL
• Fund Source 3 of 3				PE								
• Fund Type: Private Funds				RW								
• Funding Agency: Various Agencies				CON	25							25
				TOTAL	25							25
Project Total				PRIOR	04/05	05/06	06/07	07/08	08/09	09/10	BEYOND	TOTAL
				PE								
				RW								
				CON	560							560
				TOTAL	560							560

Comments:

***** Version 1 - 02/22/2005 *****

HR 4818 (FY2005 Omnibus Appropriations Bill) signed into law on December 8, 2004 included an FT-5309(c) allocation for YARTS.

2004 Federal Transportation Improvement Program

Financial Summary (Revenue vs. Programmed)

Programmed	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	TOTAL
Federal Transit Administration Section Funds				
- 3037 Job Access and Reverse Commute Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- 5303 Metropolitan Planning Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- 5307 Urbanized Area Formula Program	\$1,489	\$1,489	\$1,489	\$4,467
- 5308 Clean Fuel Formula Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- 5309(a) Fixed Guideway Modernization	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- 5309(b) New Starts	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
*** - 5309(c) Bus Allocation	\$389	\$0	\$0	\$389
- 5310 Elderly & Persons with Disabilities Formula Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- 5311 Nonurbanized Area Formula Program	\$160	\$160	\$160	\$480
Local Funds				
- Bureau of Indian Affairs	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality	\$2,490	\$2,540	\$0	\$5,030
- Demonstration Pre ISTEA, ISTEA, & TEA21	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- Ferry Boat Discretionary	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- Forest Lands Highways	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
** - Highway Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Program	\$453	\$0	\$539	\$992
- Intelligent Transportation System Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
** (***)- Local Funds (transit fares, private funding, local match & TDA)	\$7,403	\$8,008	\$7,042	\$22,453
- Miscellaneous Federal (Emergency Repairs & Seismic)	\$50	\$50	\$3,730	\$3,830
- National Scenic Byways Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
* - Public Lands Highways	\$1,000	\$0	\$0	\$1,000
- Recreational Trails	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- Surface Transportation Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- Surface Transportation Program Enhancement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
** - Surface Transportation Program Hazard Elimination & Safety	\$502	\$0	\$0	\$502
- Surface Transportation Program Railroad Grade Crossing Protection	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- Transportation and Community and System Preservation Pilot Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Highway Account Funds (State & State FHWA Funds)				
-STIP (RIP/IIP/TE)	\$60	\$73,543	\$36,177	\$109,780
- SHOPP (Includes Bradley SHOPP)	\$23,910	\$0	\$51,062	\$74,972
- SHOPP (Minor A Federal)	\$915	\$0	\$0	\$915
State Only Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
- Miscellaneous (RSTP)				
Exchange, State Transit Assistance)	\$2,517	\$2,561	\$2,606	\$7,684
- Traffic Congestion Relief Program	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total Programmed	\$41,338	\$88,351	\$102,805	\$232,494
<p>* Atwater Federal Penintentiary Access Road Project - Amend #1</p> <p>** HBRR and HES lump sums - Amend #2</p> <p>***YARTS FY05 FTA-5309 (c) Bus and Bus-Related Allocation - Amend #3</p>				

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